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SUBJ: GAO REVIEW OF U.S. COMMITMENTS TO SEATO

1. THE BANGKOK GAO OFFICE HAS INFORMED THE EMBASSY THAT MR. JAMES ABTS FROM GAO WASHINGTON PLANS TO VISIT THE EMBASSY AND SEATO HEADQUARTERS IN BANGKOK ON AUGUST 28-29. THE GAO IS CONDUCTING A REVIEW OF SEATO AND WISHES TO DISCUSS CURRENT STATUS OF THE U.S. COMMITMENT TO SEATO AS VIEWED BY THE EMBASSY AND TO CONFIRM THE COSTS OF U.S. PARTICIPATION, INCLUDING STAFFING AND RELATED COSTS. APART FROM MEETING WITH THE AMBASSADOR AND EMBASSY STAFF CONNECTED WITH SEATO, MR ABTS WISHES TO INTERVIEW U.S. PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO THE SEATO SECRETARIAT.

WE WILL NEED TO INFORM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IN ADVANCE IF MR. ABTS IS GOING TO VISIT SEATO HEADQUARTERS. WE WOULD THEREFORE APPRECIATE ANY INSTRUCTIONS WHICH THE DEPARTMENT MAY HAVE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS GAO REVIEW OF SEATO.
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